and specialised support base to rape victims especially the minors in handling the trauma of sexual exploitation.

(c) Yes, Sir.

Rape Cases

2549. SHRI K. RAHMAN KHAN: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

- (a) the number of rape cases reported in the country during 1998, 1999 and so far during the current year together with those involving rape of minors; and
- (b) the factors responsible for such sensitive crimes and for failure of the system to contain the malice?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI 1,D. SWAMI); (a) Information received from National Crime Records Bureau in this regard is given in the annexed statement (*see* below).

(b) 'Police and Public' Order being Sate subjects as per the Seventh Schedule to the Constitution of India, the registration, investigation, detection and prevention of crimes including sensitive crimes is essentially the responsibility of the State Governments. However, the Central Government has, from time to time, been writing to the State Governments emphasising the need to take measures in order to check the menace of crime against women. The measures suggested by the Central Government include, *inter alia*, appointment of Dowry Prohibition Officers, setting up of Women Cells in police stations, wider recruitment of women police officers and gender sensitisation training to police personnel.

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Statement

	Incidence of Rape and Victims of minor Rape during 1998—2000									
SI.	State/UT	Total	Minor	Total	Total	Fig. are				
N		rape	Rape	Rape	Rape	upto the				
		- cases	Victims	cases*	cases*	month				
		1998	1998	1999	2000	of				
1	2	3	4	5	6	7				
1.	Andhra Pradesh	869	288	872	331	April				
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	32	10	32	7	March				
3.	Assam	744	209	640	124	March				
4.	Bihar	1421	197	1284		N.A.				
5.	Goa	16	6	17	11	June				
6.	Gujarat	368	135	293	94	April				
7.	Haryana	364	131	334	121	April				
8.	Himachal Pradesh	128	33	99	54	June				
9.	Jammu and Kashmir	178	15	170	49	April				
10	Karnataka	233	79	301	122	May				
11	Kerala	589	171	407	159	June				
12	Madhya Pradesh	3354	806	3472	1502	May				
13	Maharashtra	1154	452	1245	524'	May				
14	Manipur	13	7	10	1	January				
15	Meghalaya	42	11	26	8	April				
16	Mizoram	84	49	64	18	June				
17	Nagaland	13	4	8	9	June				
18	Orissa	799	216	742	43	January				
19	Punjab	219	91	260	118	May				
20	Rajasthan	1266	157	1198	336	April				
21	Sikkim	7	2	5	1	April				
22	Tamil Nadu	362	91	374	261	May				
23	Tripura	73	16	72	38	May				
24	Uttar Pradesh	1605	516	1561	538	April				
25	West Bengal	757	214	819	249	April				
	TOTAL (STATES)	14690	3906	14305	4718					
	A and N Islands	4	2	7	3	May				
27	Chandigarh	11	4	16	10	May				
28	D and N Haveli	7	2	3	1	April				
29	Daman and Diu	0	0	4	0	March				

1 2	3	4	5	6	7
30. Delhi	438	239	337	129	April
31. Lakshadweep	0	0	0	0	June
32. Pondicherry	1	0	3	I	June
Total (UTs)	461	247	370	144	
Total (All India)	15151	4153	14675	4862	

SOURCE: CRIME IN INDIA (With Orissa amendments)

*: Monthly Crime Statistics N.A. stands for not available

Indian Prisoners in Pak Jails

- 2550. SHRI YADLAPATI VENKAT RAO: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) the number of Indian prisoners in Pakistan jails for more than two decades and still not released; and
 - (b) the effective steps taken to secure their release?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI CHENNAMANENI VIDYA SAGAR RAO): (a) As per available information, 90 Indian nationals including 54 missing defence personnel are believed to be under detention in Pakistan jails for more than two decades.

(b) The issue of early release and repatriation of Indian nationals under detention in Pakistani Jails has been taken up repeatedly and at all levels with the Government of Pakistan. Our efforts for securing the early release of Indian nationals in Pakistani custody would continue.

Pending State Bills

- 2551. SHRIMATI CHANDRESH KUMARI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:
- (a) whether certain Bills viz. the Employment Exchanges (Compulsory Notification of vacancies), Himachal Pradesh Amendment Bill, Himachal Pradesh Ceiling on Land Holdings